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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E.
Suite 110
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Ex Parte Presentation
In the Matter of Second Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 03-15

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, October 28, 2004, S. Merrill Weiss of the Merrill Weiss Group LLC met with Keith Larson, Gordon Godfrey, Eloise Gore, and Kim Matthews of the Media Bureau and Alan Stillwell of the Office of Engineering & Technology. During the meeting, the parties discussed the FCC's interim policy for authorization of Distributed Transmission (DTx) systems by Digital Television (DTV) broadcasters, the procedures that will be followed in the case-by-case evaluation of proposals, the showings required when applying for authorization of DTx facilities, and the format to be used in providing the necessary information to the Commission. The purpose of the discussion was to obtain information from the FCC staff to enable the filing of applications with the Commission for DTx facilities, and no information was supplied to the staff members present with respect to any current permit-but-disclose proceedings.

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, one copy of this letter is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket. Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,



S. Merrill Weiss
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